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B-G to Take Long Leave after Congress

By ARI RATH, Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion will go on from four to five weeks' leave immediately after the Zionist Congress, but he may not return before the Mapai central bodies decide on a future course of action concerning the "Affair."

Mr. Ben-Gurion announced this intention at the beginning of last Sunday's Cabinet session prior to the discussion and vote on the conclusions of the Ministerial Committee. The Prime Minister had first announced his intention of going on leave about two weeks ago, and it was approved by the Cabinet.

Following Sunday's Cabinet meeting, the crisis within the Mapai leadership was seen to be acute, and it is understood that Foreign Minister Golda Meir prepared a letter of resignation, thought to be in protest against Mr. Ben-Gurion's bitter criticism both of the Ministerial Committee and of Mr. Lavon's actions.

Action Held Up

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, who has been endeavouring to mediate the dispute throughout, apparently prevailed on her to take no action for the time being.

Mr. Ben-Gurion's supporters in the Cabinet and in the Mapai Secretariat are understood to be of the opinion that in addition to the 1954 and 1960 Lavon "Affairs" there is now also the question of the support of some members of the Mapai leadership for the Prime Minister.

Mr. Ben-Gurion's supporters hold that a solution should be found by means of a decision of the Mapai Secretariat or its Central Committee placing the leadership behind Mr. Ben-Gurion in the matter of the "Affair."

A statement by the Prime Minister at Sunday's Cabinet session that he would "not sit with Mr. Lavon" is regarded as an indication that Mr. Ben-Gurion is now determined to press for a decision concerning Mr. Lavon's future share in Mapai's leadership. The Prime Minister appears to be particularly disturbed by the fact that a Cabinet vote is binding on all its members, and that he has thus been formally put in the position of supporting the Ministerial Committee's findings, although he did not participate in the vote. Mr. Ben-Gurion apparently considers that the Ministerial Committee showed a desire for compromise with Mr. Lavon's attitude on the "Affair," and little effort was made to give consideration to the opposite view in the Committee's conclusions. It is felt that had a rather broader view been taken by the Committee, the present crisis would have been averted.

Mr. Ben-Gurion said that he would not accept responsi-

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A FEW months ago, when Mr. Pinhas Lavon, the former Minister of Defence, proclaimed his intention of raising what still appeared to be the issue of his enforced resignation from the Cabinet early in 1955, Mr. Ben-Gurion said two things.

QUESTION OF COST

The first of these was that Mr. Lavon should await the outcome of the Cohn Inquiry which was then already in progress, as its findings might serve to rehabilitate him with regard to what has since become known as the "Affair." Mr. Lavon declined to do so, it is said, on the uncharitable grounds that he had openly opposed the appointment of Mr. Haim Cohn as Attorney-General — as he then was — and that he could thus scarcely expect justice at his hands. As to Mr. Lavon's enforced resignation at the time, Mr. Ben-Gurion continued, this had been due not so much to the "Affair" as to a whole series of ill-judged decisions that preceded it and to the highly unsatisfactory personal relationships within the whole defence establishment while Mr. Lavon was Minister. He did not go into details at the time.

That was in August. Since then the Cohn Committee has found that there was grave *prima facie* evidence against Mr. Lavon's adversary, the "Senior Officer," while it refrained from any reference to Mr. Lavon. Had the latter taken Mr. Ben-Gurion's advice, he would now be largely rehabilitated in most people's eyes, and the "Affair" would be finished: indeed, we might have been spared this upheaval altogether. In retrospect it seems quite likely that from the beginning it was the "Affair" that Mr. Lavon sought, rather than the rehabilitation of which he said he stood in no need. He went to the Foreign Affairs Committee and addressed fervent pleas there to the opposition both within and without the Coalition. He attacked his own party, the Government which it leads, and the Army in such a manner as to bring about rifts and splits within each body; he sundered "Davar," Labour's single-minded newspaper, right down the middle; he supplied the occasion for the Foreign Affairs Committee to break its time-honoured silence on the discussions it holds; he has caused the eight Mapai ministers in the Government to face each other in fours angrily across the Cabinet table. Most of what he has gained could also have been achieved by unspectacular means, and it is not unreasonable to suppose that his approach contained an element of vengeance. If the Prime Minister has now indicated that he will take a holiday from affairs until his party has decided which way it wants to go, this may be exactly the climax that Mr. Lavon visualized.

It is more difficult to say how he collected support and bound it into a strong weapon. He was on bad terms with Mr. Shimon Peres, now Deputy Minister of Defence, and claimed Mr. Peres had conspired to oust him. Mr. Peres has made other enemies on personal grounds, and these support Mr. Lavon. Mr. Lavon was forced to resign, and has the sympathy of others who had to resign. Mr. Lavon challenged Mr. Ben-Gurion's authority, pleasing all those who have never dared to do this. Mr. Lavon, who is a brilliant debater, caused most of the press to represent his broadside on the ruling institutions as the heroic fight of the individual against "etatism", until many people are afraid or ashamed to say that, order or no order, the 1954 "mishap" was a shocking mess that occurred while Mr. Lavon was in charge, and that as man is responsible for his subordinates as well as for himself. Most important of all, of late, is the large body of Mapai opinion, led by Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Minister of Finance, which fears Mr. Lavon's lack of inhibitions, and holds that the "Affair" must now be ended literally at any cost, if the party is to be preserved. If they thought Mr. Ben-Gurion could be forced to accept a solution that vindicates Mr. Lavon's actions over the past months they were clearly mistaken.

Mr. Lavon has already supplied enough ammunition to break Mapai at the next election, were there an opposition in this country that could do more than bicker. If he is allowed to succeed all along the line he will get only have demoralised the Army in 1954 as Mr. Ben-Gurion said, but the nation

DAG LEAVING FOR CONGO NEXT WEEK

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold and four aides arranged on Tuesday to leave for the Congo next Monday.

The U.N. Chief had been expected to fly to South Africa to discuss inter-racial strife there, but said he was booked only to Brazzaville. This is the last stop of the jet flight from Paris.

Meanwhile, the pro-Communist rebel regime in Stanleyville sent troop reinforcements into neighbouring Kivu Province, yesterday, to tighten its hold on one of the Congo's richest food-producing areas.

The U.N. spokesman said the Stanleyville regime of former Vice-Premier Antoine Gizenga appeared to have Kivu Province under its control following the kidnapping of provincial President Jean Mirobu and three Ministers.

Gizenga's control of Kivu Province would give him virtually unlimited food resources and would sharply reduce the effectiveness of Col. Mobutu's economic blockade.

Meanwhile, Gizenga failed to receive a 250-word cable in Russian addressed to him by Premier Khrushchev. The cable was intercepted by Col. Mobutu's military censors in the Leopoldville cable office and was withheld. The contents were not disclosed.

43 Congolese To Israel for Study

LEOPOLDVILLE (Reuter). — A group of Congolese left here by air yesterday for prolonged study courses in Israel. It includes some 20 civil servants, four parliamentarians and 10 youth leaders.

The courses are paid for by the Israel Government, and the transport costs by the U.N.

The group is by far the largest number of Congolese to leave for fellowships abroad to gain practical experience of methods of administration and similar tasks.

The parliamentarians will spend four to six weeks learning modern ways of parliamentary work. The youth leaders will take a four-month course, and the civil servants will spend their time with Israel officials, learning "on the job."

The courses are part of a specially arranged programme by the Israel Government for French-speaking people in Africa.

3rd French A-Bomb Test Paves Way to Tactical Arms

PARIS (AP).—France yesterday successfully tested her third atomic bomb—a small device which officials hope will clear the way for both tactical and giant thermonuclear weapons.

French scientists also sought to gain information about protection of persons from the effects of radioactive fallout.

The third bomb, which came about 10 months after the first, was fired at Reggane deep in the Sahara. French officials said that the bomb was of "several kilotons" in power (a kiloton is equivalent to 1,000 tons of TNT).

The first atomic bombs, made by the U.S. during World War II, were of 20 kilotons. The first French bomb, tested February 13, had 70 kilotons power and the second, set off April 1, was considerably smaller.

French officials said that yesterday's test, which came at 0830 G.M.T. (9.30 a.m. Israel time), was of "small strength" and that the fall-out presented no danger to African populations.

Small Bombs

With the findings from yesterday's test, French scientists hope to perfect small operational tactical bombs and detonating devices for thermonuclear or hydrogen bombs.

The French said many small animals were placed in the test and are now being flown to Paris for study. Some of the animals had been injected with substances which might furnish protection against radioactivity. Other animals had been induced into a state of hibernation to study how they reacted to radioactivity in that condition.

The test site of Reggane is situated some 750 kms. south of the Algerian town of Colomb-Bechar, the French missile experiment centre. The nearest inhabited oasis is some 130 kms. from Reggane.

Little Radioactivity

The announcement that scientists in protective clothing went into the test area immediately after the blast to retrieve the animals indicated that the explosion was small and radioactivity limited.

The announcement that the explosion was of "little strength" indicated France was making considerable progress towards "miniturisation" of their bomb.

The Defence Ministry transmitted a statement by Brigadier-General Jean Thiry, commander of the experiment, saying it had two goals: to advance the technical knowledge of atomic arms and to study protection methods in a nuclear war.

...And 47 More Die in Hiroshima

TOKYO (Reuter). — The hospital in Hiroshima, which treats about 90 per cent of the victims of the first atomic bomb ever dropped, said yesterday that 47 people had died from atomic diseases in the first 11 months of this year — 11 more than in the same period of 1959.

Four more persons died this month so far, the spokesman said.

From January to November 18,973 people suffering from atomic diseases had been treated, the spokesman added.

Jordan Doubts Israel 'Sincerity'

AMMAN (Reuter). — Premier Bahjat Talhouni said yesterday that despite Israel's denial that she is planning to build an atom bomb, "Israel's silence on her atomic activities in the Negev raises doubts — and all views agree that Israel could make an atomic bomb."

He declared that "This serious question could threaten the Arab future if not given much concern and care. When we think of the danger threatening us, we put aside all our outstanding differences with some Arab states."

Talhouni said Foreign Minister Mme Nasser has been instructed to confer with Arab diplomatic representatives on this problem.

(Arab League Foreign Ministers are to meet on January 15 to discuss various problems, among them being Algeria, Congo and Israel atomic energy development.)

Selassie Sets Up Probe Committee

ADDIS ABABA (Reuter). — Emperor Haile Selassie has instructed the commission set up to investigate the recent attempt coup d'etat against him to do its utmost to secure true justice.

The Emperor has named Col. Tamrat, Governor of Kafa, to head the commission, assisted by the Deputy Advocate-General, Ato Norayo, and Justice Ministry officials.

Thousands gathered yesterday in Cathedral Square for the hanging of Capt. Kebede Gudetta, formerly the Emperor's personal bodyguard.

25th Zionist Congress Opens with Festive Air

3,000 Fill Conference Hall

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The 25th World Zionist Congress opened in Jerusalem last night with fanfares and a festive air, before plunging into two weeks of sober deliberations.

With the traditional three raps of the gavel, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organisation, declared the 25th Zionist Congress open.

Waves of emotion repeatedly swept through the vast assembly of over 3,000 delegates, observers and guests, which gazed in rapt attention at the heads of the State of Israel and leaders of world Jewry seated on the brightly lit and decorated platform.

Applause reached a crescendo when President Ben-Zvi, preceded by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, and Dr. Goldmann, took their places. Mr. Ben-Gurion, wearing a white carnation and looking serious, and Dr. Goldmann, sporting a red, delegate's carnation, were escorted by two pretty usherettes.

A wall-high portrait of Herzl and a tower of shields representing the 12 tribes flanked the large gathering on the platform, where, in the front row, were seated some of the elders of the Movement among them Rabbi Maimon and Mr. Yitzhak Gruenbaum — and Mr. Beri Locker, Mrs. Rose Halprin, President of the Supreme Court, Justice Olshan, Minister of Justice Pinhas Rosen, Mr. Zalman Shazar, Mrs. Bebe Idelson — representing Knesset Speaker Kadish Luz, who is indisposed — Mayor Ish-Shalom and Rabbi Nissim.

Behind them sat an assembly of dignitaries, including Ministers, members of the Jewish Agency Executive, Supreme Court Justices, Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., the Governor of the Bank of Israel, the State Controller, the Secretary of the Cabinet, Zionist General Council members, including for the first time with voting rights three members of the World Wise Executive, and other personalities.

After a fanfare at the entry of President Ben-Zvi, the Hatikva was sung by a choir joined lustily by the assembly.

There were smiles and much clapping when Dr. Goldmann, in his introductory address, referred to Mr. Ben-Gurion as the "Supreme Zionist." Mr. Ben-Gurion beamed. Dr. Goldmann greeted Mrs. Weizmann, who was seated on the platform with Mrs. Ben-Zvi, Mrs. Ben-Gurion, and Mrs. Goldmann. He paid special tribute to the Supreme Court Justices and sent greetings to the veteran Zionist in the U.S., Mr. Louis Lipsky, who was unable to attend.

French Applauded

A notable moment occurred during Dr. Goldmann's opening remarks, which he read in Hebrew, when he came to the name of the French Ambassador, M. Jean Bourdeillette, in the list of foreign diplomats present. It drew sustained applause from the Congress, which last met a few months before the Sinai Campaign.

Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim said the principle task of the Movement was to "call great numbers to come and settle in Israel, where they can find a firm spiritual basis for their lives." He urged the Movement to make special efforts to bring about the "opening of the gates for our brothers in the Iron Curtain countries and North Africa."

Welcoming the delegation on behalf of the city, Mayor M. Ish-Shalom called on the absorption agencies of the Zionist Movement to give particular consideration to the need of the Capital for thousands of additional hands to help in her development.

Diplomats Present

Foreign diplomats present included the Ambassadors of Switzerland, Italy, Liberia, Canada, Brazil, Burma, Austria, Britain, France, Sweden, Mexico, Australia, Guatemala, Uruguay; the Cuban Minister; the Charges d'Affaires of Greece, Norway, Turkey and Holland; the First Secretary of the U.S. Embassy; the Counsellor of the Argentine Embassy; the solo diplomatic representative from East Europe was the Yugoslav Charge d'Affaires.

A dramatic moment was when Dr. Goldmann prefaced his main address by explaining why he was delivering it in Hebrew (he had been expected to give it in "Congress Deutsch"). He said: "I don't know if I will have the chance of addressing another Congress. I also particularly want the people in Israel to understand me."

(Goldmann speech, — Col. 7)

The meeting ended at 11.15 p.m. Well over an hour before the opening at 8.30, delegates and guests milled in the foyers exchanging greetings with old friends in many tongues. Colourful pavilions of institutions and enterprises, stood in the large foyers. Usherettes pinned red carnations on delegates. Outside the building, which was lit up like a beacon, two lone soldiers stood guard over flaming braziers honouring Jewish martyrs and heros.

Goldmann: M-E Calm May End

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organisation, said last night there are indications the relatively static political situation of the Middle East is coming to an end.

In his keynote address before the opening session of the 25th Zionist Congress in Jerusalem, he said the commitment of the new U.S. Administration to new and dynamic initiative may mean that many political fronts, among them the Middle East, "will become more alive."

Attempts may be made to bring an end to the unstable and explosive situation in the Middle East, Dr. Goldmann said, and while such attempts may be beneficial, they may also involve risks and dangers. In the light of such possibilities, warned Dr. Goldmann, both Israel and the Jewish people must be more vigilant than they may have been required to be in the last few years and "be on guard against all kinds of dangerous developments."

Discussing the absence of peace between Israel and her Arab neighbours, Dr. Goldmann said that the Arab peoples, with "that stubbornness which is characteristic of the semitic race," refuse to consider even the slightest gesture of normalising their relations with Israel.

He referred to Arab threats of "a third round" and said "...The most alarming element in this situation is that they are fully backed by the Communist bloc and by the might of the Soviet Union."

At Half-Way Mark

Dr. Goldmann's address was based on the argument that the Zionist Movement had only come "half-way" to its goal, and that to think otherwise involved an element of dangerous complacency.

"The task of the Movement is to disturb our people's dangerous peace of mind, to make them aware that both Israel and the Diaspora are far from being safe," said the head of the Zionist Organisation. "A great decisive instrument for our survival has been forged in the creation of the State of Israel. What we must now do is complete this instrument, to forge a link between the whole people and Israel, to ensure the Jewishness of coming generations and to win the right of Jewish communities everywhere to live as Jews."

While Zionism had never indicated what proportion of the nation should be concen-

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Ben-Zvi Sees Aliya As 'A Kind of Tithe'

President Ben-Zvi last night called for a "kind of tithe" in connection with aliya.

In his greetings to the opening session of the 25th Zionist Congress, Mr. Ben-Zvi urged the acceptance of personal participation in aliya as a national duty, "or at least a kind of tithe, one from the city and two from the family," to settle and take root in Israel.

Mr. Ben-Zvi noted the historic importance of two events which preceded the First Zionist Congress, by several years — the establishment of the first agricultural school at Mikve Yisrael and the Bilu immigration of the 1880's. "Without these events — the birth of Herzl 100 years ago and renewal of agriculture by Jewish hands in the Land of our Forefathers — who knows whether we would today be witnesses to the renaissance of the nation of Israel and its homeland!"

Bonn Observers In Eichmann Trial

BONN (AFP). — German observers will attend the Eichmann trial in Israel, the Government spokesman confirmed here on Tuesday.

West German judicial authorities have requested the observers to gather information during the trial on other Nazi criminals and follow the Israel legal procedure in the case.

Frankfurt's Chief Public Prosecutor, Dr. Heinz Wolf, has asked the Israel Government to let one of his lawyers interrogate Eichmann in a German probe of Nazi crimes against Jews. The Israel aid is needed in investigations of the war-time activities of SS Colonel Herman Krumey, who was on the staff of the SS Jewish extermination squad.

Catholic Union Not Joining Socialists in Belgian Strike

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — The Belgian Catholic Trade Union Federation — representing about half the country's workers—decided last night not to join the Socialist-led strike now half paralyzing the country.

A statement issued after a meeting of the Catholic Union Executive appealed to all workers not to join the "revolutionary strike movement."

It said methods adopted by strikers "are not only ruining the country's economy, but endanger the social position of the wage-earner and threaten our democratic institutions."

The wave of strikes is in protest against the Government's planned austerity measures.

Political observers said the Catholic Union decision strengthens the position of the Government led by M. Gaston Eyskens.

Renew Split

But at the same time, they said, it threatens a repetition of the north-south split which brought the country to the verge of civil war 10 years ago on the issue of King Leopold's planned return to the throne.

King Baudouin yesterday prepared to fly back from his Spanish honeymoon to Belgium, and about 700 Belgian troops at NATO stations in West Germany began returning to home territory as new clashes developed.

Riot police were in action in Brussels as 7,000 marchers called for a general strike.

No major change was reported yesterday in the extent of the strike, which continued to largely paralyze public services and main industries in southern Belgium.

In Brussels heavy police reinforcements cordoned off the main department stores and guarded the Post Office. Commando and paratroop guards were redoubled at stations and public buildings.

Big shops locked and bolted their doors as the strikers marched past. A police helicopter hovered overhead and commandos and mounted police stood by with hosepipes at the ready.

As they marched through the city-centre, demonstrators chanted anti-Government slogans, disconnected tram trolleys from the wires and yelled for "a general strike."

21 Die in S. African Mines As Tribes Clash

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter). — Police patrolled in strength on Tuesday at South African mines, after tribal clashes in which least 21 Africans died.

Police made several baton charges to restore order in one incident on Monday when fighting broke out among 9,000 Africans housed in the African mineworkers' compound at the Rand Leases mine at Roodepoort, about nine miles from here.

The Africans were killed in fighting between Pondo and Basuto tribesmen after a Zulu worker was killed.

The situation was so serious that all available police were called to the scene. The situation was reported quiet yesterday with Africans going on shift work as usual. An official inquiry will be held.

Ex-Empress Of Austria Here

Zita, the last Empress of Austria, crossed into Israel yesterday through Mandelbaum Gate and was received by the District Representative, Mr. S. Yeshaya.

The ex-Empress, now 88, is the widow of Charles I, who ruled from 1916-1918 after his great-uncle, Francis Joseph. During her one-week visit, she will make a tour of churches and monasteries, kibbutzim, the Weizmann Institute and the Hebrew University.

(UPI)

How The Atomic Reactor was Discovered

The P.B.S. AGENCY reports that, in the middle of December, American reconnaissance planes discerned increased truck traffic on the Beersheba road. High altitude photos revealed, upon examination, that the trucks were loaded with Ytong blocks.

Ytong blocks are the well-known construction material which does not conduct cold in winter or heat in summer. And furthermore, it does not conduct moisture or noise. Its light weight makes possible savings in iron and cement. Of course, in addition to its efficiency in industrial construction, it is also used for building skilosaim and private houses, because a building constructed with Ytong blocks is BETTER!

(Adv.)

K Hails UN Vote on Colonies As Victory; Urges Implementation

MOSCOW. — Premier Khrushchev yesterday hailed the U.N. General Assembly's vote to end colonialism as a victory for Soviet ideas, and said the major task now was to get the resolution "implemented in fact."

The assertion was made in in a special statement published on the front page of "Izvestia" and broadcast by Moscow Radio.

He said the Soviet resolution calling for immediate independence for all colonial territories — which the Assembly rejected by 35 votes to 32 with 30 abstentions — could be regarded as the political basis of the U.N. declaration.

This declaration, proposed by the Afro-Asian states and adopted on December 14 by 89-0, proclaimed "the necessity of bringing to a speedy and unconditional end of colonialism in all its forms and manifestations," and called for "immediate steps in all dependent territories to hand power over to the local people."

Mr. Khrushchev conceded that the resolution as adopted differed from the Soviet one.

He said, however: "If the colonial powers cast aside the U.N. resolution and continue to obstruct the liberation of subjugated peoples and oppose their independence, then these peoples will be left with only one choice — that of carrying out a decisive struggle to sweep away all obstacles put in their path.

"And they will not be alone in that struggle."

Mr. Khrushchev said the U.N. resolution was a great victory for the Socialist states, the independent nations of Asia, Africa and Latin America, and "all the peace-loving and freedom-loving countries and forces in the world... Even such capitalist countries as Austria, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, Canada, New Zealand and many others" joined "this great victory of the Socialist states."

'Don't Rely on UN'

He warned "the peoples of the whole world, and, above all, these peoples which have recently liberated themselves from under the colonial yoke and those which are still waging a heroic struggle for their liberation, that they should not stake all their future solely on the U.N. decision."

The colonialist powers had not even supported the resolution in its partial form, and behind this hid their intention of retaining the rotten colonial system, he charged. This should be taken into consideration by all peoples.

"The bloody events in Algeria, the Congo and Laos, and the plots against the independence of Cuba and many other states, show that the struggle for liberation from colonial yoke will demand even greater concentration of strength," the Premier stated.

(Reuter, AP, UPI)

North Vietnam Troops Reported in Laos

VIENTIANE. — The right-wing Laotian Government of Prince Boun Oum claimed on Tuesday that two Vietminh battalions had relieved pro-Communist Pathet Lao forces in Sam Neua Province, near the border with Communist North Vietnam.

The Government said it was believed the Pathet Lao troops intended travelling south through Communist North Vietnam by rail to a point from which they could launch a new offensive in southern Laos.

Rightist forces have raised Phong Hong, 40 miles north of Vientiane, where leftist forces have been getting Soviet airdrops of arms.

Saud Retains Faisal As Crown Prince

AMMAN (Reuter). — Official sources in Riadh announced yesterday that King Saud does not intend to make changes in the inheritance to the throne, Mecca Radio reported. His younger brother, Prince Faisal, who resigned last week as head of the Cabinet, will continue as Crown Prince.

After the resignation of the Cabinet, King Saud took over the Government. The King was stated in have toured the country early this year to gain support among the tribes for a return to full power.

Sheikh Ibrahim e-Sowayel, Saudi Ambassador to Iraq who has just been appointed his country's Foreign Minister, left Baghdad yesterday.

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Social & Personal

Foreign Minister Golda Meir yesterday received Mr. A. E. Chinbuah, the Director-General of the Ghanaian Ministry of Agriculture.

The Foreign Minister also received Mr. Oden Meeker, General Manager of C.A.R.E. in Israel.

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The Minister of Education and Mrs. Abba Eban, and his mother, Mrs. Alida Eban, of London, visited the Hebrew University yesterday and were the guests at a luncheon given by the President, Prof. B. Mazar. Other visitors to the campus included the West Nigerian Ministers of Education and Labour, Dr. S. D. Onabamiro and Mr. K. Momoh.

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The members of the Knesset delegation which recently visited Burma yesterday gave a luncheon for the Burmese Ambassador, U Hla Maung. Among those present were the Third Secretary of the Burmese Embassy, U Tin Hline, the Director of the Asian Division in the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Ya'acov Shimoni, and the Knesset Clerk, Mr. M. Rosetti.

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The Chief Rabbi of Great Britain and Ireland, and Mrs. Israel Brodie yesterday called on Rabbi and Mrs. Yitzhak Nissim.

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Mrs. Rebecca Sieff, President of World Wizo, was hostess to members of the Plenary Executive of World Wizo from abroad and from Israel at a luncheon at her residence in Tel Mond yesterday. Among the guests were the wives of the British, Australian and Swiss Ambassadors. Last night the Executive of the Israel Wizo Federation gave a reception for members of the World Executive at the Tel Aviv home of its Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Miriam Ben-Porat.

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The first of 10,000 saplings in the first forest in the Adullam area were planted yesterday as a tribute to Mr. Israel Dunsky, former Chairman of the South African Zionist Federation, to mark his settlement in Israel.

Among the speakers at yesterday morning's ceremony were Mr. Katriel Salmon, Israel Minister to the Union of South Africa; Mr. E. Horwitz, present Chairman of the S.A. Zionist Federation; Mr. Nicolai Kirschen, a past Chairman of the Federation and Mr. Israel Dunsky himself.

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A cornerstone was laid last week for a children's home in Ramle, sponsored by Pioneer Women and Moetzet Hapoalot. The home will be named in honour of the donor, Mrs. Pauline S. Scher Kosew, of Akron, Ohio.

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The Jerusalem Rotary Club will celebrate its 31st Anniversary today with a luncheon to be held at the Y.M.C.A. at 1.15 p.m. The gathering will be addressed by all past Club Presidents.

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The Haifa Rotary Club will hear "My Job" talks by Mr. S. Friedland and Mr. N. Mandelbilt today, Appinger Hotel, 1 p.m.

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Prof. F. J. Ryan, of Columbia University, will lecture on "Molecular Basis of Mutation" under the auspices of the Hebrew University, tonight, at 8.15, in the Mathematics Building, the University campus.

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Prof. John Yudkin, of the University of London, will lecture on "Etiology of Myocardial Infarction", tonight, at 7.45, in Lecture Hall "A", Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School.

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Mr. Philip Goldberg, Chairman of the Financial Institute of New York, will be a guest speaker at the Israel Insurance Club, Tel Aviv, today. His subject will be "Life Insurance Industry in America."

Habimah Putting On 'Marriage of Mr. Miss.'

TEL AVIV. — Habimah will present the Israel premiere of the play by the Swiss dramatist, Friedrich Duerenmatt, "The Marriage of Mr. Mississippi," on Sunday night.

This was announced to the press here yesterday. The Hebrew translation was made by the poet, Nathan Zach. The producer is Zvi Friedlander and the sets designer, Arnon Adar. Habimah has another Duerenmatt play in its repertoire, "The Visit."

UNRWA. — James Weldon, 54, an American was Friday appointed Assistant Director of the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Arab Refugees, succeeding Ray Lucas.

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Africans Seek Teachers Abroad

"My mother had eight children, but the other seven died," says Dr. S. D. Onabamiro, Minister of Education in Western Nigeria. "I made up my mind to find out why they died, so that the same thing wouldn't happen to my children. I have had seven children and all but one lived."

Dr. Onabamiro's search for the causes of health and disease took him to England, where he graduated as a Bachelor of Science, with honours in Zoology, from Manchester University, and as a Doctor of Philosophy, specializing in Parasitology, from London University.

Accompanied by the Minister of Labour for West Nigeria, Mr. Kessington Momoh, he yesterday ended a visit to Israel as a guest of the Government.

Meir Aroused Interest

Both Ministers explain that they decided to come here and see what the country was like after the visit of Mrs. Golda Meir, which had made a profound impression on the people of Africa.

The two Ministers explain: "We certainly can use Israelis who are science graduates and are prepared to teach physics, chemistry, biology and mathematics in our high schools. We will probably come back in a year's time to recruit staff for the University we are establishing.

"We want the Israel Government to help us to train our own people to run our universities and schools. We have had discussions with Mrs. Meir, Mr. Eban and Mr. Josephthai and have found everyone most sympathetic."

Dr. Onabamiro points out that when a country becomes independent there are changes in the tempo of education, as it becomes geared to the new economy of the land and not to the economy of a foreign power. The aspect of Israel's life which has impressed them most is the manner in which education is closely integrated into the needs of the country.

Western Nigeria is the richest of the Nigerian regions and has the widest educational services. There are 60,000 primary schools catering for 1,200,000 children, and 169 secondary schools. There is a university at Ibadan founded by the Federal Government, which is building three others; in addition, the Eastern region has built a University and the other two regions have each started to found their own universities as well. Thus the country will have no fewer than seven universities in the near future.

Non-Practising Lawyer

Mr. Momoh, who is a Middle Templar from London, has been too occupied in his people's move towards independence to ever practise law. He says that he found a great deal to interest him in Israel. "Fundamentally, labour problems are the same everywhere; workers want to get more money for less work and employers want to pay lower wages for more work."

What struck him most about Israel was the narrow gap between highest and lowest paid workers, which he considers most desirable in any country. He was very favourably impressed by the Histadrut, and added that his country valued highly the contacts established through Solel Boneh.

Both Ministers said that they had been amazed by the sincere affection shown them in Israel. "In private meetings they let us into their hearts and showed us an abundance of love for Africa," said Mr. Momoh.

"Israel is a positive example of the old saying: Where there is no vision, the people perish," concluded Dr. Onabamiro. *PHILIP GILLON*

5 U.S. Scientists At Weizmann Institute

REHOVOT. — Five American scientists arrived last week to devote themselves to varying periods of research at the Weizmann Institute.

Mr. Wolfie Trau, of the Biochemistry Department of Columbia University, is to spend a year in the Institute's Department of X-ray Crystallography on a Yad Chaim Weizmann Fellowship.

Dr. Henry Hoberman, of the Department of Biochemistry at the Albert Einstein Medical School, New York, will spend three months as guest of the X-ray Crystallography Department.

Prof. David Rittenberg, of Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons, will spend six months of his sabbatical year at the Institute, of whose Board of Governors he is a member.

Dr. Bernard Coleman, of Mellon Institute, Pittsburg, Pa., now at the Institute Mathematico Universita, Bologna, Italy, will spend two weeks as guest of the Department of Polymer Research, and Prof. B.S. Gould, of the Division of Biochemistry, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will spend a month as guest of the Biophysics Department.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY PROMOTIONS

The Hebrew University announces the following promotions:

● Dr. Melech Perek, from Lecturer to Associate Professor of Poultry Science and Animal Hygiene.

● Dr. Isaac Harpaz, from Instructor to Lecturer in Agricultural Entomology.

● Dr. Yair Mundlak, from Instructor to Lecturer in Agricultural Economics.

● Dr. Abraham Halevy, holder of the Master's and Doctor's degrees of the Hebrew University, has been appointed Instructor in Floriculture.

Cables in Brief

ENVOY. — Pavel Yermoshin, first Soviet Ambassador to Cyprus, paid a courtesy visit yesterday on Foreign Minister Spyros Kyprianou. The envoy arrived in Nicosia Monday night to take up his post.

BIGGEST. — Soviet architect Dimitry Chechulin has designed what he claims will be Europe's biggest hotel, the newspaper "Moskovskaya Pravda" reported yesterday. The paper said the hotel will have accommodation for 5,886 persons in 3,400 rooms, a concert hall able to seat 3,000, and two movie halls with 1,500 seats.

CREDIT. — Russia has given Ceylon a 140m. ruble credit (about £12m.) to help finance several projects under her 10-year plan, G.P. Malasekera, the Ceylonese Ambassador to Moscow, disclosed yesterday.

OLDEST. — William Davis, who claimed he would have been 122 last Sunday, died in Charleston, Virginia, on Christmas Eve. When the Social Security Administration accepted his claim to be 121 earlier this year, they said he was the oldest person receiving social security benefits in the U.S.

SMOKE. — An average of 7,541 cigarettes each will have been smoked by 60 million Americans by the end of 1960 — an all-out record — according to a survey published by the magazine "Business Week" in New York. It says 36 million men and 24 million women smoked cigarettes with a retail value of $8,600m.

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The Polish Minister, Mr. Antoni Bida; the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir; and Mayor Mordecai Ish-Shalom of Jerusalem yesterday officiated at the ceremony renaming a street in the Kiryat Shmuel quarter of the Capital after Frederic Chopin. Mr. Bida is shown cutting the ribbon at the entrance to the street. (Photo by Braun)

Moscow Charges Israel Long Linked with Nato

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The Soviet Army newspaper "Krasnaya Zvezda" (Red Star) said yesterday that though the member-countries of NATO had not yet formally announced Israel's admission, she had long since been strongly bound to NATO politically, economically and militarily.

Israel's political orientation toward NATO was especially strikingly revealed at the 15th session of the U.N. General Assembly, where the Israel delegation sided with the colonial powers on almost all questions, "Krasnaya Zvezda" charged.

"The Ben-Gurion Government's foreign policy, hostile to the Arab countries, has resulted in a further militarization of the country, a quest for military support by NATO countries and the ungainly role of a watchdog of imperialism in the Middle East and Africa," the article said.

"But the U.S. and its partners have thus far refrained from admitting Israel formally to the bloc as this would, on the one hand, aggravate their relations with the Arab world and, on the other hand, make it more difficult to use Israel as the Trojan Horse on the African continent," the newspaper commented.

Free Trip to Mecca Offered with Pardon

JAKARTA (AP) — Minister of National Security Gen. Abdul Haris Nasution has offered an amnesty to the Moslem Darul Islam rebels' leader, Kartosuwirjo, in West Java.

Kartosuwirjo has been waging a relentless war against the regime for 10 years, wanting to establish an Islamic state.

Gen. Nasution promised Kartosuwirjo a free trip to the Holy place of Mecca besides his freedom if he was prepared to support President Sukarno.

Aussie Tennis Men Retain Davis Cup

SYDNEY (Reuter). — The Davis Cup, emblem of team supremacy in world lawn tennis, will remain in Australia's care for at least another year.

The Australians retained the coveted trophy here on Tuesday when they gained a decisive 3-0 lead over Italy in the challenge round by winning the doubles. Neale Fraser and Roy Emerson clinched Australia's ninth post-war triumph in the cup competition by beating Nicola Pietrangeli and Orlando Sirola 10-8, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
577, 214.4, 249 & 224 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.05, 7.00 and 7.55 a.m., 1.30, 8.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 10.00 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Religious Service (R). 6.10 Musical Clock. 6.30 Exercises. 6.40 Musical Clock. 6.58 Announcements. 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Programme Announcements. 11.01 Popular Concert: Moszkowsky: Five Spanish Dances; Grieg: Piano Concerto in A-minor, opus 16 (Soloist: Solomon); Fibich: "Springtime", Symphonic Poem. 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 "The Asian Music Festival". 12.45 Israel. 12.45 Lunchtime Music. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Programme for Tourist, presented by Y. Lev. 5.05 Announcements. 5.06 Ba'ooleI Torah. 5.15 Folk Songs from the Auvergne, sung by Ethel Sussman (Soprano) with Arieh Sachs at the Piano. 5.30 Youth Corner. 6.00 Daily News Service for the Agriculturist. 6.03 Hebrew Language Corner. 6.20 Cellist Pablo Casals. 7.20 Request for Songs & Dances. 7.40 "At the Histadrut." 8.00 The Radio Magazine. 8.03 Oriental Songs. 8.20 The First Railway Workers on the Line Beirut-Lydda-Kantara. Programme ed. by A. Ettinger. 8.45 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chaps. 9 & 10. 9.05 Announcements. 9.15 News-reel. 9.30 Opera: Mozart: "The Marriage of Figaro." Part Two (Recording from the Salzburg Festival, 1960): Conductor: Carl Bohm. 10.20 "A Moment of Poetry." 10.32 Literary Corner. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
460, 392.7 & 422.5 M.

Commercial Programme: 5.00 p.m. News. 5.05 Opening Announcements. 5.06 Melodies. 5.40 Jazz. 5.55 News & Weather Forecast. 6.00 New Records. 6.15 The Adventures of Ellery Queen. 6.30 Close Down.

9.30 Opening. 9.31 "Entertainment 1960"—Weekly Programme ed. by Y. Arieh & S. Rosen: Presented by Y. Shimoni. 10.15 Nations' Songs. 10.45 Quiet Music. 11.00 News. 11.10 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 4.30 Rumanian. 6.45 Hungarian. 7.00 French. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Hebrew-Yiddish Lesson. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.20 Yiddish. 9.00 News in English. 9.15 Polish. 9.29 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
467 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m., 1.15-2.15, 5.30-12.15 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (33.3 M.): Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.25 Report from the World Zionist Congress. 10.35 Songs of Early Settlers. 10.50 Books on Wheels.

Programme to South Africa: 6.45 News. 6.55 Report from the World Zionist Congress. 7.05 Songs of the Early Settlers.

ARMY PROGRAMME (216, 225 and 235 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.05 Songs at your Request. 6.40 Star of the Evening. 6.58 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 "Know the Orchestral Instrument." 7.50 Musical Miniatures. 8.00 "Jazz Club." 8.30 "Army's Diary." 8.45 Military Music. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Merry Rhythm." 9.30 Children's Songs by N. Handel. 10.00 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.25, 25.12 & 19.51 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Comment. In the Jewish World.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION. — English Programme (434 & 498 M.): News: 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Housewives' Choice. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Strange Last Words. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 The Melody Dance Band. 10.30 Edmundo Ross. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Women's Magazine. 12.00 Mid-day Melodies. 2.15 p.m. "The Name is Shane." 2.30 Wednesday Matinee. 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.15 I Give and Bequeath. 10.00 Emergency. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Teller of Tales.

VOICE OF AMERICA English Programme

5.00 a.m. News. 5.15 United Nations in Action — On-the-Scene Coverage of the U.N. Proceedings. 6.00 News. 6.15 United Nations in Action — Repeat of 5.15. 7.00 News. 7.15 Commentators' Digest — Cross Section of Reports and Comments by Radio and TV News Analysis on Key Issues of the Day. 8.00 Report to Europe; News; Regional Feature — to be announced. 9.00 Report to Africa; News; Regional Feature — Reading of East African Folk Tales by Mrs. Eleanor B. Heady, American Housewife. 9.00 p.m. Report to South Asia; News; Regional Feature — Discussion of Stratosphere Research. 400 News; News Analysis. 4.15 American Journal (The American Scene) Professor from Washington University on Science for High School Students. 5.00 News; News Analysis. 5.15 Report to Middle East; Regional Feature — to be announced. 6.00 News. 6.15 Commentator's Digest — Repeat of 7.15. 7.00 Report to Middle East; News; Regional Feature — Repeat of 5.15. 7.20 President's News Conference — or to be announced. 8.00 Report to Africa; News; Regional Feature — Repeat of 9.00 Feature. 9.20 American Journal (The American Scene) — Repeat of 4.15. 9.45 Journalists' Digest — Excerpts from the News Analyses of Prominent U.S. Newspaper Columnists. 9.00 News in Special English. 9.15 Music, U.S.A. (Popular) — Popular Singers, Part II. 10.00 News in Special English. 10.15 Music, USA (Jazz)—Young New Yorkers & Mainstream East Coasters. 11.00 News; News Analysis. 11.15 New Horizons in Science — Year Ender in Science; Developments in Space, Nuclear Energy, Military & Medicine. 11.30 The U.S. in Space — Current Studies in Ionesphere and Radiation. 12.00 News; News Analysis. 12.15 American Journal (The American Scene). Repeat of 8.30.

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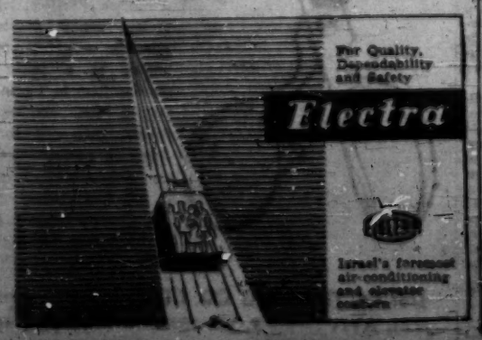

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Yad Vashem: Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Authority, Har Hazikaron. Conducted tour (English) of the buildings and exhibition, 10-12.

● Exhibitions: —
Zionist Congress participants, don't fail to see the very room in which Herzl lived in Jerusalem during November, 1898. Stern House, 33 Rehov Agron, open 9.30-1, 4-7, other hours arranged by phone, 26719, Jerusalem.
Paintings by Audrey Bergner; Jubilee exhibition by Shmuel Levi (founder of the Israel Artists Association), Jerusalem Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.
Archaeological Museum, Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. New exhibitions: colour plates, "Israel — Ancient mosaics" (UNESCO publication). Tel Mor excavations. Memorial Exhibition, Bezalel Ravani, Surveys and Excavations. Permanent Antiquities Exhibition, 9-1, 3-6.
Rina Gallery of Modern Art — Raffi Lavie, Moreno and Schwarz. General Exhibition of the Gallery's artists, 13 Shlomzion Hamalka, Tel. 26823. 10-1, 4-7.
"Israel Today" permanent exhibition, Binyanei Ha'ooma, 10-1, 4-6.
Bezalel National Museum: — Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. Archaeological objects. French contemporary paintings (loan from French Government) — Hanukka Lamps (from the late Dr. A. Tichо's collection). 9-1, 2.30-5.
Bezalel Art Library: 9-1, 2.30-6.

● Zoo: —
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: 8-5.30.

TEL AVIV

● Theatre: —
Ohel: "The Turncoat," 8.30 p.m.

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● Tourist Service: —
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● Zoological Gardens: —
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● Exhibitions: —
Paintings and sculpture on the theme "Work" on the occasion of the 40th Histadrut Anniversary. Painters and Sculptors Assoc. Artists Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharisi, 10-1, 4-7.
Tel Aviv Historical Museum, Beit Sheshkar, 26 Rehov Bialik. Bi-lingual lecture Mondays, Saturdays and festivals).
Ancient glass and oil lamps, Museum Haaretz, 1-3.
"Dizengoff House": Permanent Museum Collection; N. Bonen, paintings 10-1, 4-7.
"Rubinstein Pavilion," Tarsat Blvd., a) Dov Feigin, Sculpture b) Israel Artists from the Museum's collection, 10-1, 4-9.

HAIFA

● Tourist Centre: —
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz, Tel. 4876, 47865.

● Exhibitions: —
Avraham Yaskil, Individual Exhibition Artists House, 24 Shderot U.N., 10-1, 4-7.

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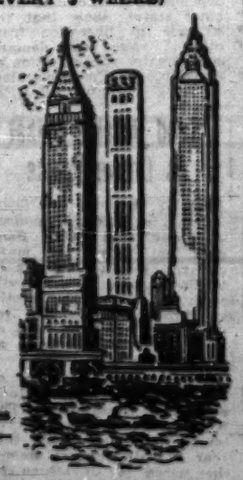

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM
2.30, 6.45, 9.45

ARNON: Too Many Crooks
CHEN: Ashes and Diamonds
EDEN: Home from the Hill (3.30, 6.30, 9)
EDISON: Jamboree
HABIRAH: Operation Amsterdam (2.30, 6.45, 9)
JERUSALEM: High School Confidential
ORI GZLI: El Capone
ORION: Surprise Package
ORNA: Wild River
RON: Tarzana
SEMADAR: The Long Hot Summer
STUDIO: Toi le Venin
TEL OR: A Question of Adultery
ZION HALL: The Ten Commandments (3.30, 6.)

TEL AVIV
2.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: The Unforgiven
ARMON DAVID: The Bramble Bush
BEN YEHUDA: Seriescha
CHEN: The Thirty Nine Steps
EDEN: Days and Nights
ESTHER: Ben-Hur (3.30, 8)
GAT: L'Amerique Insolite (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
HOD: I Like Mike
MAXIM: The Battle of the Sexes
MIGDALOR: The Day They Robbed the Bank of England
MOGRABI: Strangers When We Meet (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
OPHIR: The Savage Innocents (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
ORION: A Summer Place
PARIS: The Inn of the Sixth Happiness
PEER: Never on Sunday
SHDEROTH: Jacobowsky and the Colonel
TAMAR: Comment Qu'elle Est (10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.15)
TCHELET: Boris Godunov (7.15, 9.30)
TEL AVIV: One Foot in Hell (3.15, 7.15, 9.30)
YARON: The Apartment (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
ZAFON: South Pacific (6, 9.)
ZAMIR: Tiger Bay
RAMAT GAN: The Story of Ruth (4, 7.15, 9.30)

HAIFA

AMPHITHEATRE: The Apartment (4, 6.45, 9.30)
ARMON: Letter from an Unknown Woman
ATZMON: The F.B.I. Story
EN DOR: South of Algiers (6.45, 9)
GAL OR: Case Against Brooklyn
MAY: The Ten Commandments (3.30, 7.30)
MIRON: Le Confident de ces Dames
MORIAH: Der Traumende Mund
ORAH: Never Take Candy from a Stranger
ORION: Edge of Eternity
ORLY: This Land is Mine (6.45, 9)
PEER: I Like Mike
TAMAR: Der Zehnte Mai

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Mt. Canaan	61	11—16	13—17
Tiberias	56	13—24	13—24
Haifa Port	45	22	15—22
Netanya	55	13—22	13—22
Tel Aviv Kirya	45	17—25	17—25
Tel Aviv Port	38	16—26	17—25
Lydda Airport	34	17—27	16—26
Jerusalem	35	15—20	15—21
Beersheba	22	17—28	17—28
Eilat	30	15—29	15—29

A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Yesterday's Temperature range. C) Today's Temperature forecast.

ARRIVAL

Mr. Sidney Silverman, Labour M.P., to attend the Zionist Congress as a delegate of Mapam (by Alitalia).

DEPARTURE

The Head of the Histadrut Absorption Department, Mr. Ezra Hadad, for the U.S., on a speaking tour for the Histadrut Appeal (by El Al).

A LIBRARY was dedicated on Monday in the Tikvateinu Youth Centre, Jerusalem, in memory of I. Nathans, A. Nathans-Goudeket, H.S. Goldsteen, and S. Goldsteen-Jacobsohn, of the Amsterdam Jewish Community, in the presence of their children, Sarah and Michael.

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A GROUP of 56 tourists from Germany, the majority of them teachers, arrived on Monday night by El Al for a fortnight's visit.

Goldmann Sets Conditions To Remaining W.Z.O. President

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Nahum Goldmann has warned the Zionist parties that if his proposals regarding the future leadership of the Jewish Agency are not adopted, "it should not be taken for granted" that he will stand for re-election as President of the World Zionist Organization. He said this at the final session late Monday night of the Preparatory Commission of the Zionist Congress.

Dr. Goldmann is to meet this afternoon with representatives of all the parties to hear their reply.

Dr. Goldmann has demanded the appointment of a Jewish Agency co-chairman in Israel with powers to co-ordinate the activities of Agency Departments. In addition, he wants the parties to delegate influential members to the Agency Executive.

So far, the parties have been disinclined to accept the latter proposal, and Dr. Goldmann's only gain in this respect is his having obtained Mr. Moshe Sharett's consent to join the Executive, though without portfolio.

Mapai Stands by Shazar

The question of the Israel chairman appears to be the main one. The present chairman is Mr. Zalman Shazar, of Mapai, who, however, also heads the Education and Culture Department. Dr. Goldmann, who serves as chairman when he is in Israel, now wants a full-time chairman in this country.

Following Dr. Israel Goldstein's refusal to accept the office, there is at the moment no serious candidate for the job. The Neumann wing of the Confederation of General Zionists is now mentioning Dr. Emanuel Neumann for the office, but the "independent" Rose Halprin-Goldstein Confederation opposes this outright. As for Mapai, it appears unwilling to suggest a replacement for Mr. Shazar.

According to Dr. Goldmann, the elections for the Agency Executive and officers should be held on the sitxh day of Congress, by which time, he said, the parties must arrive at a satisfactory arrangement. (Normally, elections take place at the closing session.)

The Commission decided that both Dr. Goldmann and Mr. Sharett would not be Presidents of Congress.

The Progressive Party yesterday created its own faction in Congress. Till now, its members appeared at Congress as part of the Halprin-Goldstein wing of the Confederation of General Zionists.

A spokesman of the party explained that the decision stemmed from "basic differences" of policy within the Confederation. While all opposed identification by the Diaspora Zionist organizations with Israel party politics, some went further and held that once a Zionist emigrated to Israel he severed all connections with his Diaspora organization.

The Progressive Party opposes this notion that "Zionists only existed in the Diaspora," it was said.

To enable the new Progressive faction to be appointed to Congress committees, such as Presidium and Standing Committee, two members of the Confederation have joined the faction, bringing its number of members to the required minimum of 12. The spokesman said that it had specifically asked other members of the Confederation not to leave and join the faction, as there was no intention of causing a further split in the Confederation. (At the last Congress, the present two wings of the Confederation and the Progressives appeared as one bloc.)

Leskov: Sinai Again Becoming Assault Base

The retiring Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Haim Laskov, said on Tuesday that the Sinai Peninsula has again become a military base for a sudden attack by the UAR against Israel.

In an interview with the Army weekly "Bamahaneh," A/A Laskov said that though the UAR's forces are superior to Israel's in quantity, Israel forces matched this threat by superior technical know-how, better leadership, constant preparedness and determined fighting.

For the time being, the UAR's warfare against Israel is restricted to the political and economic field and activities by infiltrators, he added.

The new Chief of Staff, Aluf Zvi Zur, is scheduled to take over on January 1.

Arab M. K. Opposes Farm Lands Bill

Mr. Yousef Khamis, M.K. (Mapam), yesterday urged Minister of Agriculture Moshe Dayan to withdraw the Bill on the Consolidation of Agricultural Lands (which has already passed its first reading).

He suggested that a public committee of Jewish and Arab farmers be appointed instead to seek a solution to the country's agricultural problems "for the benefit of Jewish and Arab farmers alike."

Mr. Khamis praised the Minister for his frankness in admitting that the aim of the bill is to set up 30-40 new Jewish settlements. This would involve about 100,000 dunams, which would be taken from 3,000 Arab families, who depend on their small holdings for a livelihood, he declared.

The Knesset Economic Committee, to which the Bill was referred, yesterday began its consideration of the Bill.

Development Firms Want Own Shipping Line to Orient

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Behind-the-scene negotiations are now being conducted for the establishment of a new bulk-carrier line to operate on the phosphate, copper cement and potash run to the Far East, *The Jerusalem Post* was informed here yesterday.

This is the latest turn of events in the clash between the development companies and the Zim line, following charges and countercharges over traffic frequency and shipping rates to the Far East.

Mr. Paul Lewinson, Traffic Manager of Zim, took a swipe at the Phosphate Company, when he told an Itim reporter at Lydda airport yesterday that "Zim had never been approached to carry phosphates to the Far East" and that it would have contracted for the job at the $8.35 a ton rate offered by the Phosphate Company to foreign lines.

He assumed that the Phosphate Company did not, in fact, have enough stock to warrant shipment and pointed out that Zim had shipped 40,000 tons of potash to Japan last year and intended to ship an additional 10,000 tons during the first two months of 1961. If requested, it could carry phosphates as well, Mr. Lewinson declared.

Asked to comment, Mr. Shlomo Shamir, Director of Negev Phosphates, bluntly suggested that "Mr. Lewinson is talking through his hat."

"Negev Phosphates has ore piled up now to ship off the entire Japanese export order for next year (70,000 tons), provided Zim can handle it," he said. The Company is now processing some 240,000 tons of rock per year, of which local consumption account for only 85,000 tons, Mr. Shamir added.

Refuting Mr. Lewinson's other assertion, Mr. Shamir said that he was willing to furnish written proof that Zim had been asked to carry the goods and that their cargo rates were substantially higher than those of foreign carriers.

"I understand that foreign companies ask for higher rates to call at Eilat because of political pressure. But is Zim also subject to such pressure?" Mr. Shamir asked.

Mr. Lewinson also announced that the Danish ship, Nielson, chartered by Zim, is expected to call within the next few days at Eilat to take on a load of 1,500 tons of copper cement for Japan. *The Jerusalem Post* last week reported that the copper mines at Timna were experiencing financial difficulties because of shipping delays.

Treasury Sets Prices Of Studebaker Trucks

The price of the 2½-ton Studebaker truck manufactured at the Kaiser-Ilin works in Haifa has been set at IL4,504 (including IL1,634 in taxes). The plant was recently informed of the official prices for its trucks by the Treasury.

The five-ton truck will sell for IL10,629 (including IL2,183 in taxes); and the 7½-ton truck for IL12,728 (including IL3,715 in taxes).

(The compact Studebaker Lark passenger car sells for IL10,900.)

Pierre Gilbert Here To 'See Old Friends'

LYDDA AIRPORT.—M. Pierre Gilbert, the former French Ambassador to Israel, arrived here last night by Air France for about two weeks, "a simple tourist, come to visit friends."

He said he was on leave from the Quai d'Orsay, and while here would study "industrial relations."

The Jerusalem Post learns that M. Gilbert will represent the Schneider Radio and Television Company, which is interested in setting up T.V. here. M. Gilbert was non-committal when questioned on the possibility.

Eshkol Wins IL45m. Budgetary Advance

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset Finance Committee yesterday decided "to take note of" a request by the Minister of Finance for approval of expenditure of IL45m. on account of next year's budget. The Committee did not vote on "approval" as such, but its action constituted permission to disburse the money.

In three separate letters to the Committee, Mr. Eshkol requested its approval for IL30m. advance expenditure for development of industry and crafts, transport, and encouragement of tourism; IL30m. for housing; and IL5m. for school buildings.

Dr. Yohanan Bader (Herut) protested that the Committee Chairman should not even put the requests to a vote, since the subject was in the nature of a budget law, requiring Knesset approval. For the Committee to "take note" of the expenditure meant that it shared responsibility for violating the budget law.

When the Chairman, Mr. Yisrael Guri, rejected the protest, Dr. Bader wrote a letter to the Chairman of the House Committee, Mr. Haim Zadok, appealing Mr. Guri's ruling.

Budget Debate Streamlined

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

There will be some changes in the procedure of the Knesset Budget debate this year.

The main change is that not all Ministries will be debated, but only five of them. Ministries not taken up during the budget debate will be discussed in the course of the year.

Another change is that the five Ministers involved will lay a written report on the table and open the debate on their Ministry with supplementary remarks only. The main Ministerial speech will be the reply to the debate.

Under an inter-party agreement, the five Ministries to be debated this year will be: Foreign Affairs, Interior, Education, Commerce and Industry, and Development.

In general, however, the plan is that the five Ministries to be discussed during the budget debate shall be the Economic Ministries, that that is, Commerce and Industry, Development, Agriculture, Labour, and Transport. (The Finance Ministry is discussed together with the Revenue part of the Budget.

It is only because there have been debates on the last three Ministries in recent weeks that the substitution was made.

The two changes will result in a reduction in the debating time (exclusive of Ministers' time) from 64 hours to 44.

A POSTMARK bearing the legend "Forsake Us Not In Our Old Age" will be introduced in the Tel Aviv post offices on Sunday, honouring the Association for Elderly Workers.

Ben-Aharon Agrees To Bus Fare Rise

POST Economic Reporter

The Transport Ministry supports the claims of the bus cooperatives to a hike in fares, the Minister Mr. Y. Ben-Aharon, told representatives of the three cooperatives at a meeting in his office on Monday.

In view of the rise in costs, it is understood that a temporary increase may be authorized until the final decision is made by the Public Commamission on Bus Fares headed by Judge Lamm.

The Minister's agreement to a rise is an about-face in what has been the official stand till now. Only last week, the Director-General of the Ministry, Mr. Pinhas Ginsburg, told the Commission that a fare rise was undesirable at the present time and would be opposed.

Though no indication of the size of the projected increase was available, it will most probably be less than the 30 per cent asked by Dan and 12.7 per cent asked by Egged.

INDUSTRY FINANCE and COMMERCE

El Al Shows First Profit; Expects to Continue in Black

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—El Al showed a IL60,000 profit—its first—in its 1959/60 fiscal year, Mr. E. Ben-Artzi, Company General Manager, announced to a press conference at Beit Sokolow yesterday.

Mr. Ben-Artzi said that the national airline "did not expect to show a smaller profit," in the current year. The company is now in a healthy state," he declared.

In the 1958/59 fiscal year, El Al returned a deficit of IL2.3m.

In the fiscal year dealt with by Mr. Ben-Artzi, El Al operated four Britannias and four Constellations. Its income rose by 22.5 per cent, totalling IL40,670,000, whilst expenses rose by 11 per cent, to IL40,415,000. The Company flew 96,533 passengers compared to 69,898 persons in the previous year.

Its load factor was 61.2 per cent, a rise over the previous year but still less than that of three years ago.

El Al planes flew 1,837 flights, spending 14,639 hours in the air. Besides passengers, the airline also carried 1,533 tons of cargo compared to 1,121 the previous year, and 220 tons of mail. The Company increased its staff by ten persons, to 1,527 employees, of whom 387 work abroad.

Mr. Ben-Artzi said the Company was awaiting authorization from the Government for the purchase of a third Boeing-707 jet for which it has an option until the end of this month.

El Al Free Flights Go Begging

El Al employees are entitled to a free flight abroad, with their families, once every two years. However, less than half the employees avail themselves of the opportunity, Mr. E. Ben-Artzi, the Company's General Manager, told the press yesterday.

Tel Aviv Stock Markets

	26/12	27/12
$ LINKED	94½	94½
3½% Treas'y	91½	91½
4½% Bonded $	92½	92½
4½% Def. Loan	100½	100½
5% Bons Loan H	99	99
4½% " H	97	98½
4½% P.R.C. 57/64	102½	102½
5% Nat'l Oil Co.	95½	95½
6% R. Hay. III	97	97½
6% Fert. & Chem.	99½	99
Local Authorities	100½	100½
C.O.L. LINKED		
4½% Def. Loan	102½	102½
4½% Bons. Loan "A"	101	101
4½% P.R.C. 57/64	113½	113½
5% R. Hay. III	103½	103½
Local Authorities	103½	103½
30% 50% $ C.o.L. LINKED		
6% Ind. Dev. Bank	98½	98
5% Pal. Elect.	99½	99½
6% Bank Leumi Invest.	99½	98½
ORD & PREF. SHRS.		
Pal. Elect. Stock	517	550
4½% Pal. Elect.		
And Pref. Stock	430	438
Bank Leumi		
"A" Ord. Stock	360½	360½
Gen. Mort. Bank		
(new bearer)	327	333½
Bank Leumi Inv.	363½	364½
Rassco Pref.	216½	217½
Hous. Mort. Bank	179½	179½
Ellern Invest.	397	400
Africa Pal. Inv.	367	374½
New Af. Pal. —	243	243
I. & D. C.	243½	243½
(new bearer)	323½	323
Ata Textiles	211	211
Def. Shares (Reg.)	1299	1299
Moller Text.	105	105
Phoenicia	131½	132½
Assts & Bld. Bro	327	327
Pal. Potash	317½	319
Dead Sea Powa.	230	230
Tuva	256	259
Pal. Cold Stor.	344	344
Paper Mills	309	309
Alliance	23.45	23.45
Delek	Ex315	Ex315
Delek 11/12	Ex317½	319
Jordan Explor.	114	114
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Beersheba subscribers who wish connections with Haifa and Nahariya are requested to dial 04 before the desired number. For connection with Kiryat Tivon subscribers, Beersheba subscribers must dial 0485 before the desired number.

For these calls the Beersheba subscriber's meter will be operated once every 30 seconds during daytime hours (8 a.m.-6 p.m.) and once every 40 seconds during night-time hours (6 p.m.-8 a.m. the following day).

Zionism's Aim Still Unfulfilled

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trated in its homeland in order to safeguard the nation's future, "all will agree that if less than a fifth of the people is concentrated in its homeland, the aim of Zionism is far from being fulfilled."

The major task of the Movement is therefore to continue the process of large-scale *aliya*, he said. This was primarily a human and psychological problem. Whereas the first million immigrants brought in had either been sitting on their suitcases or living under oppression, the question now was one of free *aliya* by Jews who would come of their own volition, to seek a fuller Jewish life.

Setting Their Sights

The external dangers to Jewish communities have in the main receded, said Dr. Goldmann; although in a number of countries which are today unstable and explosive, Jews have begun to worry about the immediate future and to set their sights on Israel. Nevertheless, it is the internal danger — assimilation and loss of Jewish identity — that is the principal one today.

"In the 19th century, we had to fight for the right to be equal. In the 20th century, we have to fight for the right to be different."

The three million Jews of the Soviet Union constituted the most serious case in point, said Dr. Goldmann. The second most important task facing this Zionist generation, following that of making Israel secure, was the problem of the Soviet Jews, he said.

It would be unjust, said Dr. Goldmann, not to state that Jews enjoy equality of rights under Communist regimes and that anti-Semitism is regarded as a crime in their constitutions. The fact there is sometimes a gap between the legal and the factual situation is not peculiar to these countries, Dr. Goldmann noted. The tragedy of Soviet Jewry lies in the fact that they have no real facilities to live as Jews or to develop their culture in any form — in striking contrast to other religious or national groups in the Soviet Union.

Cannot Be Silent

"We cannot remain silent with regard to the fate of nearly a fourth of our people," said Dr. Goldmann. "From this greatest tribune in Jewish life, we send our brotherly greetings to them, with the assurance that we do not forget them and will continue to demand their right to live as Jews and as a recognized Jewish minority."

Dr. Goldmann expressed satisfaction at "certain small gestures made within the U.S.S.R. recently, which indicate improvement." "But," added the speaker, "they are much too small to imply any real improvement in the situation."

There are other countries, said the speaker, whose regimes are based on the Western form of democracy, where a tendency is growing to cast doubt on the right of their Jewish communities to their own distinct existence. The fight for the right to be different is a major task of our generation, he said. This fight has one special aspect in regard to the Jewish nation — the right of Jews to leave their countries in order to emigrate to Israel.

As to increased *aliya*, Dr. Goldmann suggested as an ideal the settling of at least one or two members of a family in Israel. "I know it is an ideal at this moment, but a Movement like ours creates realities by formulating idealistic programmes."

A tremendous educational effort must be made among American youth to prepare the leaders of tomorrow, to strengthen the feeling of solidarity with all Jews in the world and the "courage to proclaim the emotional and spiritual tie with Israel without being afraid of being accused of double loyalty."

B-G 'Amazed' At U.S. Aliya

"I never dreamed that Americans started coming to Israel so early. I am really discovering America." This was Prime Minister Ben-Gurion's comment yesterday when presented with the original manuscript of the forthcoming book, "A Century of U.S. Aliya", by a delegation from the Association of Americans and Canadians.

The book, written by Pinhas Lapide, contains records of American colonies established in this country 35 years before the Bilu, and the many groups that had come since then, in an almost continuous stream. The Prime Minister said that he was amazed to learn that there were third generation "sabras" descended from these early American settlers.

Yesterday, the Association conducted American and Canadian delegates to the Zionist Congress on a tour of the A.A.C.I.'s housing project in Jerusalem's Valley of the Cross.

Prof. Louis Guttman, Chairman of the Building Committee, told the delegates that the problem was not *aliya* — 1,000 Americans and Canadians came to Israel to settle during 1960 — but how the newcomers can be absorbed.

Automobile Winners In Magen David Draw

TEL AVIV. — The seventh yearly Magen David Adom drawing took place here yesterday, with 500 prizes being distributed.

Holders of the following tickets won automobiles: Ford Consul — 440441; Ford Prefect — 209137; Ford Anglia — 238958; Susita Station wagon — 243141; Hillman Commer — 537457; Morris Minor — 522438; Austin — 109807; Fiat — 69829; Ford Thames — 765337; Susita Tender — 309539.

Winners of scooters were numbers: 257928; 614891; 581605; 466643; 617487; 213606; 347264; 125423; 250814; 109913.

New Regime Expels Leibowitz, Livne

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV. — The New Regime group last night announced that it had expelled Prof. Yesh'ayahu Leibowitz and Mr. Eliezer Livne from its ranks. Together with the lawyer, Mr. Shmuel Tamir, they were among the founding members.

The announcement stated that "the two no longer speak in the name of our movement."

Prof. Leibowitz and Mr. Livne yesterday announced that they intended embarking on a speaking campaign against the group's organ, "Ya'ad." They termed it "a cheap edition of 'Ha'olam Hazeh'" with the juicy bits left out."

Committee for 'Free Algeria' Set Up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The formation of an "Israel Committee for Free Algeria" was announced to the press yesterday. The initiators include the former commander of the Sfera group, Mr. Nathan Yellin-Mor; the Editor of "Ha'olam Hazeh," Mr. Uri Avneri; the Journal's News Editor, Mr. Shalom Cohen; an Arab journalist, Fouad Shi'abi; Mr. S. Avigdor-Cohen, of "Panim-el-Panim"; the Editor of "Ner," the journal of the Brit Shalom group, Mr. S. Sharshevsky; Mr. Boaz Evron, of "Ha'aretz," and Mr. G. Scheinman, of the Students Committee For a Free Algeria."

Mr. Yellin-Mor stressed that the F.L.N. "was not really tied to the UAR chariot, but identified itself with Nasser's policy because he helped it."

Mr. Cohen met F.L.N. leaders a week ago at U.N. Headquarters, and they expressed themselves as "deeply interested in Jewish support."

Matzkin Opens Last Word in Store Design

TEL AVIV. — Tel Avivians Gaped tonight as the new Matzkin clothing store emerged from behind its cocoon scaffolding.

From its glittering labyrinth-type display windows, providing an unusual amount of space — and down to its uncluttered three-tiered interior, connected by "floating" staircases, the store is a new departure in interior design.

The Allenby Road shop is Matzkin's second establishment in Tel Aviv. It includes a special department for ladies' wear.

The shop interior was designed by Mr. Uri Appenseller.

Company Director Tried to 'Fix' Ticket

TEL AVIV. — Dr. Y. Fromchenko, Director of Elite Ltd., was found guilty in Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday of seeking to bribe a traffic officer.

In his verdict, Judge Maguri-Cohen rejected Dr. Fromchenko's claim that he did not realize the two IL10 notes he opened to get mixed in with the papers he gave the police officer.

Sentence will be handed down on Monday. (Itim.)

BEN-GURION TAKING EXTENDED LEAVE

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bility for the Government's decision with regard to the report of the Ministerial Committee on the Lavon "Affair," and that he would not work together with Mr. Lavon in the future.

These further details of Sunday's acrimonious Cabinet discussion were revealed yesterday in "Lamerhav," the Ahdut Ha'avoda paper.

The report also stated that when Mr. Ben-Gurion took the floor and opened his attack on Mr. Lavon and on the work of the Committee, he was reading from a prepared text. He announced that he would not say everything he had to say on this occasion.

Mr. Ben-Gurion particularly attacked the Ministerial Committee for its failure to react to what he termed Mr. Lavon's lies before the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. He charged Mr. Lavon of "impudence, crudeness, forgery and fabrications. This had resulted in Mr. Lavon's finding "such a lawyer as Dr. Bader, M.K. (Herut) and a press such as "Herut," "Ya'ad" and "Ha'olam Hazeh."

Mr. Ben-Gurion added "This man (Mr. Lavon) gave two Chiefs of Staff two most serious orders concerning the security of the State, but the Chiefs of Staff refused to implement them, because, he said, they weighed them from the political and security point of view as they were taught to do."

The Prime Minister argued that while he did not say that Mr. Lavon had given the order, there must have been conversations and discussions in which he took part, and that he talked with the senior officer about such projects.

He charged Mr. Lavon with "lack of conscience" and with having brought about demoralization in the Army at that time. He himself had been Minister of Defence for six years before and six years after Mr. Lavon, and such a thing like this could not have happened under him.

In concluding, Mr. Ben-Gurion asked the Committee why it had not called witnesses such as Mr. Moshe Sharett, and why it had not indicated in its report that two of its members, Messrs. Shapiro and Rosen, had been members of the Cabinet when it was decided to dismiss Mr. Lavon in 1955.

For this reason Mr. Ben-Gurion said he saw no legal or factual basis for the Committee's findings, although he does not say that Mr. Lavon gave the order. But Mr. Lavon slandered Zahal, the Ministry of Defence and the State as nobody had ever done before him.

When he had finished, Mr. Ben-Gurion gathered up his papers and left. The Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, had earlier left the meeting in anger, according to "Lamerhav"; "Mapai" added that Mrs. Meir had had to go owing to pressing Ministry business.

After the Prime Minister left, Mr. Moshe Dayan made a statement in response to Mr. Ben-Gurion's reference to the refusal of the two Chiefs of Staff to implement some of Mr. Lavon's orders. The former Chief of Staff said that he did not refuse to carry out instructions from Mr. Lavon, but that when he received the order in question, he pointed out to Mr. Lavon why it should not be carried out, and was able to persuade him to cancel it again.

Mr. Eshkol added that he knew of "another Defence Minister" who had been approached many times in similar situations and who reacted similarly.

The Two Winners

Mr. Siman Tov Zisu (clerk), of Rehov Ha'arazim, Schunat Yado Mad, Beit Hakerem, Jerusalem, and Mr. Milan Fiszel, of 4 Rehov Tschlenow, Jerusalem, worker in a Jerusalem shoe factory, won jointly IL30,000 in the 26/60 draw of Mifal Hapayis, with an agent number 22084.

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Bertha Levin and sons, U.S.A.

In deep sorrow we announce the passing of my beloved Husband, our dear Father, Grandfather and Brother
Wolfgang Zeew Mach
The funeral will take place today, Wednesday, December 28, 1960 at 2.45 p.m. at the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery.
The Bereaved Family

Our dear mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and sister-in-law
Gustl Katzenstein
nee Gotthelft
(formerly of Kassel)
passed away in her 70th year, on 26.12.60
Her children and sisters and their families
Santa Rosa (Calif.), Ramat Gan, New York, London, Haifa.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1959

1958 £		1959 £	1958 £		1959 £
851,139	Balance Brought Forward	937,172	200,000	Transferred to Revenue Reserves	200,000
2,256,558	Interest less Income Tax	4,725,120	989,600	Transferred to Revenue Accounts to increase Reserve	989,644
1,500,000	Underwriting Profit Transferred from Revenue Accounts	1,219,813	830,000	Contribution to Staff and Widows' Pension Funds	910,500
180,940	Allocations from Life and Leasehold Redemption Profits Account	204,398	825,984	United Kingdom & Overseas Taxes	940,239
			25,000	Written off Freehold Premises	25,000
			38,182	Interest and Profits Accruing to other Shareholders in Subsidiaries	48,282
			—	Preference Dividends 1959, Less Income Tax	48,223
			1,854,577	Ordinary Dividend 1959, Less Income Tax	3,094,029
			937,179	Balance Carried Forward	830,581
5,830,796		7,086,498	5,830,796		7,086,498

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1959

1958 £		1959 £	1958 £		1959 £
	Capital Authorised: 1958 £5,000,000; 1959 £13,187,500			Fixed Assets:	
7,788,000	Capital Subscribed	12,975,500	2,844,725	Mortgages and Loans	2,888,508
5,215,620	Revenue Reserves	5,810,397	21,963,673	Investments	23,738,573
19,647,567	Insurances Funds	20,419,926	3,601,779	Leasehold and Freehold Properties	3,975,733
	Subsidiaries:			Subsidiaries:	
1,141,527	Amounts due thereto	1,388,546	4,576,539	Shareholdings therein	11,904,169
15,323,853	Liabilities and Provisions	16,492,684	1,099,854	Amounts due thereby	2,187,698
72,570,035	Life Funds (Total Funds, Provisions and Liabilities	79,846,850	13,936,880	Current Assets	13,607,119
			72,570,035	Life Funds (Total Assets)	79,846,850
121,936,975		136,936,619	121,936,975		136,936,619

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF BUSINESS IN ISRAEL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1959

CREDIT 1958 IL.		1959 IL.	DEBIT 1958 IL.		1959 IL.
4,180	Interest	4,724	21,986	Balance of Profit Transferred to Appropriation Account	18,335
16,877	Profit Transferred from General Insurance Revenue Accounts	13,611			
21,057		18,335	21,057		18,335

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

1958 IL.		1959 IL.	1958 IL.		1959 IL.
21,057	Balance of Profit Brought Forward	18,335	15,706	Income Tax	5,128
			5,350	Balance of Profit Transferred to Head Office Account	13,207
27,057		18,335	21,057		18,335

London, November 29, 1960

(Signed:) A. D. CLARK
Controller of Accounts

We have examined the above profit and loss account of the business of the Commercial Union Assurance Company Limited in Israel which has been prepared from the returns received from its agents and from the books of the Head Office in London and find it to be in accordance therewith.

London, November 29, 1960

(Signed:) COOPER BROS. & CO.
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Europe—The Creative Peninsula (II)

By LOUIS FISCHER

CLOSING THE GULF

THE folly of war and the passing of empire have ushered in Europe's new internationalist era. The world supremacy of Russia and America and the looming figure of China makes competition within Europe grotesque. This radical political change marches hand in hand with sentiment. Two emotional shifts of transcendent importance have taken place: the closing of the gulf between France and Germany and the narrowing of the Channel between England and Europe.

Khrushchev pranced through France in 1960 attempting to stir ancient hatred by recalling the ravages of three German invasions in seventy years. His poison campaign failed to move the French people. Nobody took his bait of a Russo-French combination against Germany. France and Russia, de Gaulle told him, were allies "when, twice in the course of this century, their continent found itself menaced by an ambition without measure which has since then disappeared." Germany's ambition had disappeared; Russia's had appeared. The unlikelihood of a fourth German invasion made nonsense of further hate. Hatred arose from previous wars and preparation for a new war. The elimination of a possible war between France and Germany tends to extinguish the hate. President de Gaulle emphasized Europe's great transformation in an address to the British Houses of Parliament on April 7, 1960. He hoped, he said, that the present peace "shall not widen division or poison wounds, including those suffered by the German people who were yesterday our enemies but who today are a vital part of the West and our common ally." At every official, social, economic, and professional level in France and Germany there is conscious endeavour to close the blood book of the past.

On November 28, 1959, Sydney Gruson reported from Bonn to the "New York Times" about a French physician who had spent four years in a nazi concentration camp. Thereafter he refused to visit Germany. But in 1959 he did so. A friend asked why. "I thought it was time to come," the doctor replied, "when my son said to me, 'You know, father, so long as there are people who think as you do there will always be wars between us and the Germans.'"

The crimes committed by Nazi Germany before and during the war were so monstrous that not forgiving leaves only one alternative: to ostracize. Ostracism would breed the very evils Europe and the world must avoid.

Forgive or Ostracize

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion talked for two hours with Adenauer in New York on March 14, 1960, after which the Jewish leader said, "I was glad to meet Chancellor Adenauer. My people cannot forget its past, but we remember the past not in order to brood upon it but in order that it shall never recur. I said in the Knesset last summer that the Germany of today is not the Germany of yesterday. After having met the Chancellor I am sure the judgment was correct." The Nazi slaughter of six million Jews is a living, continuing tragedy that rules out Jewish diplomatic double-talk. The man of Jerusalem spoke from his heart. He did not forget. He was constructive. Faith in human corrigibility is therapeutic. Stubborn, static rejection is understandable as an emotion. As politics it is futile, barren, and harmful.

In the summer of 1960 thirty West German students, aged fifteen to eighteen, members of the World Peace Service, settled in the Greek village of Servia, destroyed with wanton cruelty by Hitler's army. The teenagers had volunteered to stay a year and build eight hundred houses, a reservoir, and a new irrigation system. This is the type of penance that cures. It spreads the truth at home and erects a bridge abroad.

Britain and Germany

The British people, too, have many reasons for resenting Germans. But self-interest is on the side of moderation. Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, England's high commissioner in Germany after the Second World War and subsequently permanent undersecretary of the Foreign Office, wrote in the London "Times" of August 3, 1960: "It is of course understandable that the experience of two world wars should have generated emotion, but, in the present state of the world, indulgence in prejudice and emotion is a luxury we cannot afford; and if we have regard to our safety we should base our policy on rational thinking."

"It's rather frightening to find that we of all people should be prisoners of our past," said a British ambassador, quoted by Drew Middleton in the "New York Times" of April 5, 1960. "We have got to stop this nonsense about the Germans." Middleton noted that "Eight other members of NATO, occupied by the Germans in World War II, find it easy to forgive if not to forget."

The British attitude toward the Germans has changed less than the French, but it has changed and is changing. An even greater accelerator of European unity is the shrinking of the English Channel. Psychologically the English Channel used to be as wide as the Atlantic Ocean. "Storm over Channel, Continent Isolated" was the way a famous London paper headlined its news. The "beastly" weather isolated the Continent, not England. When Britons crossed the Channel they were "going to Europe." They were not of Europe. The Channel made their country a mental island.

Today, however, the island is visibly approaching the mainland. Mind alters geography. Anyone with imagination can see, before the end of the twentieth century, a tunnel and a bridge carrying goods and people linking the British mind to the Continent and the Continent to Britain. At the opposite end of the Continent, a bridge across the Bosporus is to connect Asia with Europe. Before long, continents will be a geography-book fiction.

This is the second in a series of articles taken from Mr. Fischer's forthcoming book. The first article appeared on December 28.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

The Zionist Congress

How U.S. Sees Israel

"Good heavens, that stuff is dangerous!"

Davar (Histadrut) writes: "The Zionist crisis is one of immigration. Although the Zionist Movement cannot be obliged to supply a certain number of immigrants each month of each year, it can and must devote itself to encouraging immigration... and it must consider these efforts as one of its main tasks, if not the main one. There must also be a change in the methods of absorbing immigrants from the prosperous countries."

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes: "The 25th Zionist Congress is, on the surface, an impressive event. But it is meeting in a time of confusion, and there is no point in denying it even on this festive occasion." The paper goes on to state that very few young Jews in Israel or abroad are interested in the Zionist Congress or Zionism. Discussing the question of immigration, the paper rejects the Prime Minister's view that the Zionist Movement hindered immigration.

Herut outlines the various things it thinks the Zionist Movement should do to promote immigration, to lead Diaspora Jewry and to help solve the political problems facing Israel and world Jewry. "All of these tasks facing the Zionist Congress show that it is necessary to allow the Zionist Movement to share political responsibility. The Homeland belongs to the whole people," the paper declares.

Hatzofe (National Religious Party) writes: "The task of the Zionist Movement is to safeguard the existence of the Jewish people by educating towards Jewish individuality and Jewish unity, with the aim of concentrating Jews in the State of Israel."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes: "The goal of the Zionist Movement has not yet been reached and its task has not been completed. The time has not come to dismantle frameworks. Immigration should be the central issue at the 25th Zionist Congress.

Haboker (General Zionist) writes: "The 25th Congress was called in advance, a Congress of change and a Congress of immigration. But there will be no change if it is not clear what is to change, and calling this an immigration Congress will not in itself bring immigration. The provision of conditions to attract immigrants who will come without pressure... is really the task of the Government rather than of the Zionist Organisation."

Lavon Affair

Hatzofe (National Religious) says that the report of the Cabinet Committee "clearly marked the end of the Lavon Affair." It nevertheless fears that the controversy within Mapai will continue and have an adverse effect on public life.

Lamerhav (Abdut Ha'avoda) criticizes the Prime Minister for the views that he reportedly expressed in regard to the report of the Cabinet Committee investigating the "Affair" and for his "personal attacks on Mr. P. Lavon."

She'arim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) says that those involved in the "Affair" controversy "should accept the conclusion of the Cabinet Committee and avoid continuing this unnecessary and harmful argument."

LAOS—COCKPIT OF SOUTH EAST ASIA

Situation Could Develop into Second Spain or Korea

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

IN the rubble-strewn streets of Vientiane, capital of Laos, festooned with tangled power lines, the sun shines down angrily on the yellow pockmarked walls and shattered windows. Around the corner, a glinting sea of twisted corrugated iron roofing is all that remains of an entire quarter, whose wooden houses went up in flames under the pounding of howitzer shells and mortar bombs. Along a main road a battered car passes loaded with household bric-a-brac including, absurdly, a vast double bed.

Refugees are still leaving Vientiane, fearing a counter-attack from the Communist Pathet Lao and the neutralist parachute commander, Captain Kong Le, who were forced to evacuate Vientiane by the forces of General Phoumi Nosavan, the strong-man of the new right-wing anti-Communist Government of Prince Boun Oum.

Outside the Settha Palace Hotel, guards in olive green clutch sub-machine guns. Six soldiers lie sprawled in sleep in the shadow of a half-track out in the road, and a driver leans against the wing of a dusty armoured car, idly toying with a heavy-calibre machine-gun.

But the fierce, four-day battle for Vientiane is over. The guards and the guns and armoured vehicles are here to protect the gentlemen taking their ease under the gaily striped umbrellas on the hotel terrace. Prince Boun Oum, the new Prime Minister, passes a hand through his greying hair and sinks his stout figure into a chair with a sigh. A few feet away, a stocky general in olive green chats casually with five officers. He is Quane Ratthikone, the Chief of Staff who deserted Prince Souvanna Phouma, the ousted neutralist Premier, and rallied to General Phoumi. A slim-waisted waitress moves among them carrying glasses.

War Not Over

But if the battle is over, the war is not. Some 1,000 Pathet Lao guerrillas, who converged on Vientiane to help Kong Le's paratroopers hold it against Phoumi's advancing forces, have disappeared into the surrounding country.

Kong Le and about 400 men of the crack Second Parachute Battalion, who fought stiffly to keep the capital, are moving northwards towards Luang Prabang, the royal seat, taking with them five American howitzers and about 14 heavy mortars flown in by Soviet aircraft for their defence of Vientiane shortly before the fighting began. Kong Le is clinging to his howitzers, for they have proved to be the H-bomb of Laos. In two successive major battles, Phoumi's superior strength in artillery has been the decisive factor. If General Phoumi has one immediate military ambition it is to get those pieces away from Kong Le or to force him to abandon them.

Fearing he may try to to make up to the loss of Vientiane by taking Laung Prabang, Phoumi has sent forces in pursuit and is attempting to cut Kong Le off. He is also urging King Savang Vatthana to leave the royal capital and to come down to Vientiane. Most military experts agree, however, that Kong Le cannot continue to fight as a separate element in this tangled civil war, but will have to throw in his lot with the Communist Pathet Lao. If he joins them, he will have to sacrifice his independent command, knuckle under to senior Pathet Lao officers, abandon his precious guns and fade off into the hill and jungle with his men for the Pathet Lao are essentially guerrillas who distrust positional warfare and frontal attacks.

The fate of Luang Prabang still depends on how large a bite Kong Le and the Pathet Lao think they can now take out of this divided country. If General Phoumi continues to hold the royal capital, the Pathet Lao will still make the northern provinces of Sam Neua and Phongsaly their stronghold, and the wearying struggle will continue.

This is the more likely development. Experts point out that the Communists normally fight in small numbers and with light arms. Like the Vietminh in Communist North Vietnam, they follow the teaching of Mao Tse-tung — they do not group to attack strongly defended centres but probe for weak points, strike the enemy where they outnumber him locally, ambush and harass, destroy communications and transport, subvert the population, suborn soldiers on the other side, captured from within.

Moreover, their immediate backers, the Vietminh whose local guerrilla forces are waging a vicious hit-and-run terror campaign in pro-American South Vietnam, do not wish to prejudice this operation by provoking a formal war in Laos which might startle the United States and other Western Powers into intervening heavily in both territories.

Wrong Assumption

There is a temptation to assume, therefore, that the Laotian situation will be nothing more unpalatable than the "mixture as before" for the Pathet Lao have intermittently held the northern provinces of Laos and waged guerrilla war from that base for the past six years. But this would be wrong.

Kong Le's defection to the Pathet Lao not only reinforces the Communists while depriving the National Army of several hundred of its best troops, but it also shows that the Army can no longer be regarded as a unified, politically reliable force. General Phoumi may enjoy the loyalty of most senior and field officers, but feeling in the ranks is uncertain. The more Phoumi launches them upon exhausting anti-guerrilla operations in this wild, sparsely peopled country, the more unpopular he is liable to become. Some Lao units on both sides fought with determination in Vientiane, but the Laotians are not an energetic, warlike race.

Furthermore, the Pathet Lao acquired large quantities of arms and ammunition from Kong Le when they came to his assistance in and around Vientiane. It is estimated that before that the Communists could only arm 2,000 men, although they could have called on three times this number. They may, therefore, appear in substantially greater force in any future fighting.

At best Laos can expect an intensification of the gruelling civil war, in which General Phoumi will hold the towns, but left-wing guerrillas will constantly disrupt communications and harass the countryside. Many observers predict that in the long run Phoumi will inevitably lose, that ultimately even the main centres will fall one by one. They stress that it has already been proved that a narrow conservative Government, whose only weapon is a conventional army, is no match for Communist infiltration, guerrilla and subversion tactics — especially in a backward land in which the simple people are sick of being the military and economic casualties in a struggle that may be vital to the Western Powers but which they only understand dimly, if at all.

There is also some danger that Laos may become a second Spain or even a second Korea. Peking and Hanoi Radios have accused the Americans and almost all their allies in south-east Asia of giving military aid to Phoumi, and there has in fact been no secret made of U.S. and Thai support for the General. The Americans continued to give assistance under their aid programme to the right-wing, but, as the outgoing neutralist Premier, Prince Souvanna Phouma, declared recently, they withheld arms and money from Kong Le's forces which supported him in the capital during October and November. In neighbouring Thailand, the Government of Marshal Sarit Thanarat obstructed the delivery of vital supplies to Vientiane.

Excuse for Intervention

The exaggerated accusations poured out by Communist broadcasting stations may be designed to provide an excuse for the Communist bloc to intervene on the side of the Pathet Lao.

Although Chou En-lai, the Chinese Premier, called on the Geneva Powers earlier this month to cooperate in order to end the civil war in Laos, there are repeated reports that clearly marked Russian aircraft are still dropping supplies to Kong Le.

Representatives of the Western Powers in Vientiane are carefully sifting available evidence of foreign Communist participation in the battle for the capital — in particular the suspicions voiced that Kong Le's artillery fire was directed by Vietminh gunnery experts. Prince Boun Oum's Government may be tempted to appeal to the South-East Asia Treaty Organization for military aid, and if this were given, the Vietminh, Chinese and Russians might well give assistance openly to the Pathet Lao.

The Communist Powers may not wish to risk an international conflagration over Laos any more than do the Americans, but the two sides are in the position of two fathers anxiously watching their infant sons pitching into each other. They do not themselves want to enter the fray, but their arms are stretched out tentatively to bring swift aid if their own boy looks like taking a beating or if the other parent seems to be about to intervene first. A misjudged gesture from one or other adult could easily lead to a grown-up brawl. Were that to happen in this case, it would shake the world.

MUSICAL DIARY

L.S.O.'s Last Concert

Farewell Concert by the London Symphony Orchestra, Conductor: Antal Dorati; B. Lord, (Oboe); De Peyer (Clarinet); W. Waterhouse (Bassoon); Barry Tuckwell, (Horn); (Tel Aviv, Mann Auditorium, December 22). Britten: Variations and Fugue on a Theme of Purcell; Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante for Four Wind Instruments; Tschaikowsky: Symphony No. 4 in F-minor Op. 36.

THE concert opened with a repeat performance of Britten's "Young Persons Guide", which was again given a performance as brilliant as the score itself.

Tschaikowsky's "Fourth" was a most enjoyable occasion in spite of its banalities, sentimental passages and endless sequences. It was in these rising sequences that Mr. Dorati demonstrated his amazing sense for gradually developing a climax and bringing it to an electrifying goal. The tone of the orchestral body was rich and sonorous, yet restrained and never noisy. But the most striking quality, which made the renditions so enjoyable, was the total absence of sentimental outpouring and strict emphasis on the musical content.

The four soloists proved themselves to be most competent and serious musicians. The horn was played with excellent technique. The bassoon player displayed a remarkable musicality, something hard to achieve on that instrument, and both the oboist and clarinetist showed their understanding of the style.

Nevertheless, the Mozart as a whole was not too attractive. The orchestral parts lacked transference, easiness and much of the special Mozart spirit.

In spite of this rather negligible defect, the Orchestra and its attractive conductor were in splendid and enthusiastic mood, playing with their utmost energy and devotion and taking the audience by storm. They earned one of the greatest and most prolonged ovations Tel Aviv has ever known, adding three encores to the programme.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Tschaikowsky's Sixth

The Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Sasha Popov, conductor; Susanne Stroun, piano (Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem, December 22). Handel: Concerto Grosso in B-minor; Mozart: Piano Concerto in A, K. 488; Tschaikowsky: Symphony No. 6 in B-minor ("Pathetique").

THE Kol Yisrael Orchestra gave a special concert as a farewell to visiting Bulgarian conductor Sasha Popov, who chose as his *pièce de résistance* Tschaikowsky's Sixth Symphony, quite a courageous undertaking considering the limited resources of the orchestra. Obviously, most of the rehearsal time had been allocated to this work, as the opening Handel Concerto Grosso made the impression of sight-reading, and the expectations of the beneficial influence of the conductor on the strings, so marvellously apparent in previous performances, were not met.

Souzanne Stroun, a guest pianist, started the Mozart A Major Concerto in a very nice way but quickly lost her peace of mind, and the rest of the performance suffered from unsteady tempi and lack of interpretation caused by extreme nervousness.

In the last work, Popov developed amazing sonorities in the orchestra and, on the whole, the performance did great credit to conductor and musicians. Though there were many spots beyond the technical means of the Radio orchestra, of course, Sasha Popov's drive and personality turned the experiment into a success for all participants.

Promising Start

Third Concert of the Jerusalem Chamber Music Society and the Jerusalem Musicians Association (Wise Auditorium, Hebrew University Campus, December 24). The Jerusalem String Quartet (Jacob Groob, Amihud Elroy, violins; Marcel Gross, viola; Emil Goldhagen, cello). Haydn: Quartet in C ("The Birds"); Karol Rathaus: Quartet No. 4 Opus 50; Dvorak: Quartet in F, Opus 96.

A LONG time must elapse before four string players grow into that highest form of ensemble, which lives, thinks, breathes and feels music as one unified personality. The Jerusalem String Quartet is a group which was formed very recently, on the initiative of its leader, Jacob Groob. It has made great strides already and leads one to hope that at last Jerusalem may get its resident string quartet worthy of the name.

Since the time of Emil Hauser and the late Thelma Yellin, with Wolfgang Schecken and Hanoch Jacoby in the middle parts, string quartets were an integral part of Jerusalem's musical life, and the gap after this ensemble's dissolution was keenly felt for many years. The development of this new association will be followed sympathetically by all Jerusalemites.

The best performance of the evening was undoubtedly Karl Rathaus' String Quartet, a highly dynamic work composed by an original mind. Its technical demands were met with drive and skill, and its musical content was brought out impressively. The Dvorak showed the ensemble's ability to express lyrical moods with singing quality and tasteful interpretation. The group is too young yet to tackle the music of Haydn and Mozart, and the opening offering was not satisfying.

On the whole, the Jerusalem String Quartet left a most favourable impression in its debut, which puts an obligation on its members to increase the great efforts already made, so as to bring the ensemble up to highest demands and standards.

YOHANAN BOEHM

Readers' Letters

YOUTH HOSTELS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The need for, and the growing importance of, young tourists and popular tourism in general is being stressed increasingly but we feel that even the very welcome suggestions for improvement are regrettably incomplete in that they entirely overlook youth hostels, which are the main factor in the development of this kind of tourism.

A chain of 3,500 youth hostels serves young people in almost all parts of the world; last year, overnight visits in these hostels reached the 15 million mark. The Israel Youth Hostels Association has been an active member of the International Youth Hostel Federation since 1934. It is accepted not only by the Western member associations of the Federation but also by the new Asian partners. As the result of this close contact, Israel has been asked by the Asian Associations to be host to the next Asian Youth Hostels Conference, to be held in 1961.

Through quiet but constant endeavour, the Israel Youth Hostels Association has built up a network of 14 youth hostels, covering most parts of the country, which, during the first ten months of 1960 provided accommodation for 93,335 youngsters, of which 14,910 were foreign visitors.

May we, therefore, with the words of Resolution III of the 20th International Youth Hostel Conference "urge the Press of all countries to support the youth hostel movement in its vitally important work. Help us to establish youth hostels" — and thereby, to attract ever more young visitors to Israel.

Yours, etc.,

DR. WALTHER KATZ
Hon. Secretary, Israel Youth Hostels Association

Jerusalem, November.

EGG PRODUCTION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your economic commentator's instructive survey of the over-production of eggs (your issue of December 16), he presumes that the crisis cannot be alleviated by stepping up Israel's internal consumption (65—70 m. eggs monthly), since our consumption per capita already ranks among the world's highest.

Is the consumption of one egg daily really an unbreakable record. Many of us know well-managed households that consume at least three eggs per capita in the course of two days. But there are many cases of faulty food habits, of superstitions, etc. that need correction.

Could not a panel of experts such as specialists and pediatricians, discuss the optimal ceiling of egg consumption, according to age, profession, lack of other proteins, etc.? The recommendations of the experts should be transmitted to the public by means of an intensive campaign on the radio, in the press and through other channels, as is done in the case of milk.

There might be room for improvements in marketing, too. For instance, when even small grocers start to use the practical, carton containers used so far only by the large stores, the general public may buy more eggs at one time.

Yours, etc.,

PAUL FISCHER

Tel Aviv, December 30.

LABOUR EXCHANGE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With regard to E. Frank's complaint about his treatment at the Tel Aviv Labour Exchange (your issue of December 12?), the latter do not find your correspondent's name in their card index. We presume that he applied to the Registration Office (as a new immigrant) and was referred to the respective trade union for the fixing of his category, before being registered at the Exchange.

We cannot, therefore, investigate his complaint thoroughly and we would ask him to apply to Mr. David Enra, at the Labour Exchange in Tel Aviv, 13 Rehov Yavne.

Yours, etc.

YEHUDA LAISH
Public Relations Officer
State Employment Service

Tel Aviv, December 15.

ALBERT HESKIEL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am anxious to trace a Mr. Albert Heskiel, who was in Genoa, Italy, as an Egyptian refugee in 1938/1939. Early in 1939, Albert Heskiel and his family (mother, father, wife and two children) emigrated to Israel — I believe to Tel Aviv.

Will anyone of your readers who happens to know Albert Heskiel or any other member of his family, please either ask them to contact me or else be good enough to write to me at the following address:

S.N. Eskinazi, c/o Shell Co. of Rhodesia Ltd., P.O. Box 1389, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

May I thank you in anticipation for your kind assistance and I am most grateful to any of your readers who will give me information about the whereabouts of Albert Heskiel to whom I have urgent news to relay.

Yours, etc.,

S.N. ESKINAZI

Salisbury, December 14.

A PASSENGER FROM BONNYBRIDGE (SCOTLAND) WRITES:

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